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SPECIAL ACTION PLAN FOR PENDIGN SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to formulate any special action plan to complete the pending schemes in power sector for newly created States especially Chhattisgarh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) it not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) to (c) : The Government is taking the following measures to complete the pending power sector schemes in the country including those located in the newly created State of Chhattisgarh:

1. Periodic review by Empowered Committee chaired by Secretary (Power) and also by various Task Forces which have been set up.

2. Ensure full funding of on-going hydro projects.

3. Extending loans for power projects under the Accelerated Generation Supply Programme (AG&SP) scheme of the Power Finance Corporation.

4. Resolving the `last-mile` problems of private sector project through Crisis Resolution Group headed by the Ministry of Power.

5. Evolving an alternative payment security package in view of the low escrow ability of State Electricity Boards.
6. Augmenting funds for electrification of the remaining un-electrified villages.

7 Providing assistance for renovation & modernisation of old hydro/thermal plants and for strengthening of sub-transmission and distribution system to the reforming states under the Accelerated Power Development Programme (APDP).